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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated August 23, 2002, in the above-identified patent application be extended for three-month until February 23, 2003. In view of the fact that February 23, 2003, fell on a Sunday, applicant respectfully submits that the present response is timely filed on Monday, February 24, 2003.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2003.

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